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Linnea Petercheff Division of Fish and Wildlife Indiana Department of Natural Resources 402 West Washington Street Indianapolis, IN 46204

Dear Ms. Petercheff,

Pursuant to IC 4-22-2-28, the Indiana Economic Development Corporation ("IEDC") has reviewed the economic impact analysis for small businesses associated with rule changes contained in LSA Document 09-486 and proposed by the Indiana Natural Resources Commission ("NRC") on behalf of the Indiana Department of Natural Resources. The proposed rule amends 312 IAC 9-10-4 governing game breeder licenses to clarify requirements for the housing and sale of wild animals possessed under the license, including white-tailed deer.

The economic impact statement prepared by the NRC indicates that the proposed rule could result in a maximum annual cost of \$500 per business for approximately 515 small businesses. This estimate consists of costs associated with securing fencing around the breeder's property and increased administrative burden associated with record keeping and documentation. Breeders that already maintain their fences adequately may only be affected by the additional record-keeping requirements, which the NRC estimates a maximum annual cost of \$60 per business.

The IEDC does not object to the associated economic impact to small businesses. The costs appear reasonable, and the NRC has determined that the provisions of the rule are the most cost effective means of carrying out its responsibilities and promoting public safety. If you have any questions about the comments contained herein please contact me at 232-8962 or rasberry@iedc.in.gov.

Regards,

Ryan Asberry

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